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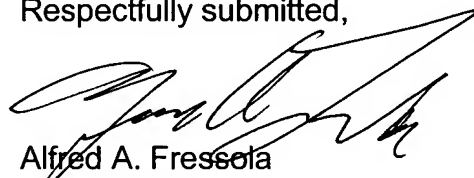
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Enclosed is an International Search Report dated February 5, 2004 issued in International Patent Application No. PCT/EP03/10863 filed on October 1, 2003, from which the present application now requests entry into the US national phase.

Also enclosed is a Form PTO-1449 listing the cited references. A copy of the non-US cited reference is enclosed herewith. Copies of the cited US references are not enclosed herewith pursuant to the waiver of the USPTO requirement to submit copies of U.S. patent references. The relevance of each reference is specifically explained in either the search report or the application specification and the abstract of each reference provides a concise explanation thereof.

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